

Apple Wood Rescue, Inc.  
Hedgehog Care Pre-Adoption Questionnaire

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**Care Questions:**

1. What is the average life span of a hedgehog?  
5-10 months    7-10 years    15-20 years    30-35 years
  
2. Should hedgehogs have a large wheel in their enclosure? Why?  
Yes      No
  
3. Hedgehogs 'anoint' their quills. What is this process for?
  
4. Are hedgehogs as trainable as a dog? Why?  
Yes      No
  
5. Can you pick a hedgehog up by its tail? Why?  
Yes      No

Hedgehogs need warmer temperatures to survive.

6. What is the minimum temperature a hedgehog should be in?
  
7. Should a hedgehog cage be in direct sunlight? Why?  
Yes      No

Play time is very important for the well-being of hedgehogs.

8. What is the minimum amount of play time required?
  
9. How much time will you be willing to give?
  
10. Do you have a safe place picked out for play time? If so, please explain the space.

**New Home Questions:**

1. Do you have any other animals in your home? If so, please list all species and breeds.
2. Who will be the primary caregiver for the hedgehog?
3. Are their children under the age of 5 in the household?
4. Is anyone in the household allergic to aspen bedding or have issues with handling meal worms?

**Veterinarian Questions**

Hedgehogs require check ups by an Exotic Veterinarian once a year.

1. Do you have a Veterinarian lined up that cares for Exotics?\*
2. What do you think is the average cost for an exotic wellness check?

Adopter: \_\_\_\_\_

Apple Wood Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*\*This Hedgehog has already been seen by Dr. Summar at Homestead Animal Hospital, 6900 S. Holly Circle, Englewood, CO 80112, (303) 771-7350. Please feel free to contact them with any questions.